

MINUTES

Mid-Columbia Fire and Rescue
Board of Directors Meeting
Training Room, Station 1
1400 West 8th Street, The Dalles, Oregon
June 15, 2020

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Board President David Jacobs called the June 15, 2020 remote meeting of Mid-Columbia Fire and Rescue to order at 5:30 pm.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Led by President Jacobs.

3. ROLL CALL

Directors present via video conference: David Jacobs, David Peters and Diana Bailey. Dick Schaffeld was in attendance via telephone.

Staff: Bob Palmer, Fire Chief; David Jensen, Division Chief; Dana Woods, Office Manager. Jay Wood, Division Chief attended via video conference.

Others: Tom Peachey, Legal Counsel and Dan Spatz via video conference.

Chief Palmer read the compliance and ground rules regarding video conferencing and public meeting law. This Board meeting was conducted remotely in order to mitigate the transmission of the Coronavirus in accordance with Governor Brown's Executive Order 20-12 to suspend all public gatherings. Public access information was made available prior to the meeting. The District received no requests for accommodations by any members of the public and there were no members of the public who accessed the meeting via telephone or video conference.

4. AGENDA CHANGES

- a. Addition of Correspondence Item.

5. MINUTES

The minutes from the May 18, 2020 regular meeting were approved as presented.

6. PUBLIC COMMENT

None

7. PRESENTATION BY DAN SPATZ

CGCC Representative Dan Spatz presented the Board with a brief overview and status update regarding the CGCC Skill Center and Student Housing Project.

8. OPEN PUBLIC HEARING

The regular board meeting adjourned into the Open Public Hearing at 6:00 pm to receive public testimony regarding the 2020-2021 proposed budget. Chief Palmer gave an overview of recommended adjustments to the proposed budget that was approved by the budget committee. Members of the public were provided an opportunity to submit questions or comments to the District prior to the Board meeting. There were no questions or comments received from the public. The Open Public Hearing closed and reconvened back into the regular board meeting at 6:01 pm.

9. PUBLIC CONTRACT REVIEW BOARD

The regular board meeting convened to Local Contract Review Board Hearing at 6:01 pm. The purpose of this hearing was to receive testimony regarding request for exemption to competitive bidding pursuant to the provisions of ORS 279C.345. There were no questions or comments received from the public prior to the board meeting. Director Bailey had some questions regarding some of the language in the Berriochoa Construction contract that Tom Peachey will look into. There were no additional questions so the Local Contract Review Board Hearing closed and reconvened back into the regular board meeting at 6:18 pm.

Director Schaffeld's call was dropped, he left the meeting at 6:19 pm.

10. FINANCIAL REPORTS

- a. Cash Accounts Summary: Included in board packet.
- b. Ambulance Service Financial Report: Included in board packet.

11. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- a. Urban Renewal Report – nothing to report. The District will need to appoint a new Urban Renewal Committee representative. Director Bailey was appointed by President Jacobs to fill the vacancy.
- b. Enterprise Zone Report – President Jacobs had nothing new to report. Would like to set up a meeting with Angie Brewer, County Planner, to review LUDO language.

12. FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT

Incident Report: There were 245 calls for service in the month of May. 173 were EMS related.

911 Usage: Usage was 11% for the month of May, no change from the previous month.

Fire Chiefs Update: Chief Palmer provided the Board with an Information Sheet which gave updates regarding Bond Projects, sale of surplus apparatus, student housing project, policy committee progress, GEMT program, EZ program, ASA plan, BIA Fire Protection Contract, Leadership Assessment and Coaching, Fire Chief Performance Appraisal Process and COVID-19 Pandemic response.

The surplus aerial truck has been listed with a broker in hopes of receiving a higher sale value for this piece of apparatus.

Division Chief Wood's Report: Included in board packet.

Division Chief Jensen's Report: Included in board packet. Chief Jensen will be temporarily coordinating training because of his experience at DPSST.

Other: None

13. CORRESPONDENCE

President Jacobs shared Bob Delaney's resignation letter. President Jacobs and Chief Palmer contacted Mike Cronin, who was a candidate during the last election, to see if he was interested in filling the vacancy and serving the remainder of the term. President Jacobs did receive a letter of interest from Mike Cronin.

MOTION: Director Bailey made a motion to appoint Mike Cronin to the vacant board position. Director Peters seconded. The motion passed with Bailey, Peters and Jacobs voting yes via a roll call vote.

14. OLD BUSINESS

None

15. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Resolution 2020-03: A resolution to adopt the Fiscal Year 20-21 proposed Budget.

MOTION: Director Peters made a motion to approve Resolution 2020-03 “A Resolution Adopting the Budget, Making Appropriations, and Imposing and Categorizing Taxes”. Director Bailey seconded. The motion passed with Bailey, Peters and Jacobs voting yes via a roll call vote.

- b. Resolution 2020-04: A resolution Approving an Exemption of the Dismantling and Repair of the Mid-Columbia Fire and Rescue (MCFR) Fire Training Tower from Competitive Bidding Pursuant to the Provisions of ORS 279C.345.

MOTION: Director Peters made a motion to approve Resolution 2020-04 as amended with revised contract language that Director Bailey recommended. Director Bailey seconded. The motion passed with Bailey, Peters and Jacobs voting yes via a roll call vote.

16. EXECUTIVE SESSION

- a. Adjourn to Executive Session in accordance with ORS 192.660(2)(d) to conduct deliberations with persons designated by the governing body to carry on labor negotiations.
- b. Adjourn to Executive Session in accordance with ORS 192.660(2)(i) to review and evaluate the employment-related performance of the chief executive officer of any public body, a public officer, employee or staff member who does not request an open hearing.

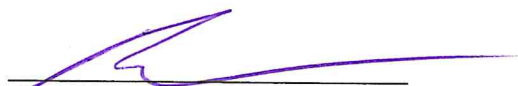
The regular board meeting adjourned into executive session at 6:49 pm.

The executive session ended and the regular board meeting reconvened at 7:40 pm.

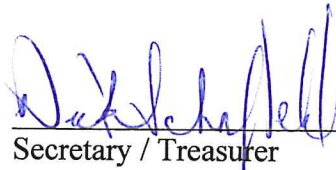
17. GOOD OF THE ORDER

18. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:41 p.m.



Board President



Secretary / Treasurer